Mr. John Nixon, P.E. Regional Administrator, Springfield Office Missouri Department of Natural Resources 1155 E. Cherokee Springfield, Missouri 65807

Dear Mr. Nixon:

This letter will confirm our phone conversation with Tracy regarding the bypass of raw sewage and subsequent fish kill, resulting from an overflowing manhole that this section became aware of on May 15, 1985.

On May 15 sewer maintenance personnel located and unstopped an overflowing sanitary sewer manhole located in a field near the southwest corner of Glenstone and I-44. The crew leader reported the cause as brush and boards placed in the manhole by vandals. The crew leader sealed the lid to help prevent further vandalism.

This office estimates the volume spilled at 250,000 gallons. With no knowledge of when this event started, the above figure represents the approximate tributary volume for one day.

On March 20, this office was notified by the resident at 1250 East Bonaire that she smelled a sewer odor and had observed dead fish in a pond located behind her home.

Our investigation confirmed the sewer odor and the dead fish in the pond.

On May 21 this office removed approximately 50 sunfish, 1 bass, and 1 catfish from the pond.

As mentioned above, the manhole lid has been sealed to deter vandalism in the future. If you have any questions please feel free to call 864-1924.

Yours truly.

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